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PCT/EP2004/007842

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, Sequence Search, BIOSIS, CHEM ABS Data, EMBASE, PAJ, WPI Data

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this International application, as follows:

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1-13, 16-18 (in part)

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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

Invention 1: Claims 1-13, 16-18 (in part)

Methods and compounds relating to cardiovascular disorder
plasma polypeptide (CCP) 30.

Invention 2-56: Claims 1-13, 16-18 (in part)

As Invention 1, however relating to CCP 31, 32, 33, 34, 36,
37, 38, 40, 41, 42, ... , 58, 59, 63, 64, 70, 73, 74, ... ,
92, 93, 144, 145, ... 147, 148, respectively.

Invention 57: Claims 1-18 (in part)

Methods and compounds relating to cardiovascular disorder
plasma polypeptide (CCP) 35.

Invention 58-119: Claims 1-18 (in part)

As Invention 57, however relating to CCP 39, 41, 60, 61, 62,
65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 71, 72, 94, 95, ... 142, 143,
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